

**Minutes of a GBU meeting held at the Links  
at 12h00 Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2023**

***Present***

D Ingersent chairman  
T Meyer treasurer  
J Grant secretary  
B Donde  
J Solovei  
J Harris

***Apologies***

D Chetty

***Welcome***

Deirdre welcomed those present.

***Next Tournament***

A date was set for our next tournament which would be a Pairs event. Joel once again kindly volunteered to organize prizes and Deirdre said she would approach Rob Stephens for a flyer. James suggested that we should hold a Mixed event and it was agreed this would be held in January.

***Feedback from the SABF***

Given that an SABF meeting had been held the previous week Deirdre asked for feedback.

- a) James informed the committee that next year the SABF would insist that the clubs publish and maintain a current list of members on the SABF database and that they took full responsibility for collecting subs for both the SABF and GBU. This year many of our members paid their subs directly to the GBU putting a huge strain on our resources. It was not one of our union's responsibilities to update this information on the database.
- b) We had a critical shortage of senior tournament directors and people capable of handling the technical issues encountered with running online bridge. It was agreed that we should reach out to our members to identify those who might be interested in these positions by including an article in our next newsletter which would be published shortly. Deirdre volunteered to approach Rob Stephens to run a technical TD course.
- c) Bernard raised the point that the GBU needed to put forward delegates for next year's SABF committee as elections would be held at our next AGM in February. It was agreed the GBU should hold its AGM in January so that delegates could be nominated timeously

***GBU subs***

These would remain at R50 for the coming year

No further matters arising the meeting was then closed